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For: **METHOD OF PREDICTING GENETIC RISK FOR HYPERTENSION**

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements of Application dated **August 8, 2005**, enclosed for filing is an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified patent application.

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In the event that this response is not timely filed, the applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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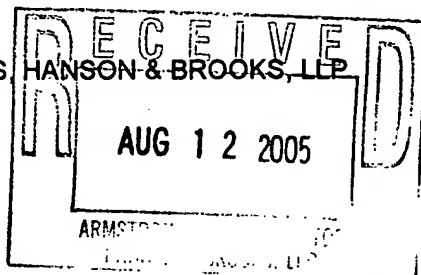


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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
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- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 03/22/2005
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- Small Entity Statement filed on 03/22/2005
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- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 03/22/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 03/22/2005

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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

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